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Admiralty Office, 1st January 1798

Sir,

Having laid before my Lords
Commissioners of the Admiralty your Letter
of the 30th of last Month, inclosing by desire
of the Duke of Portland, the Copy of a Letter
which you had received from Mr Elliot
Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant of
Ireland, together with the Papers therein
referred to upon the subject of Transports
for conveying Recruits from the Depot
at New Geneva, and the necessity of
having a large vessel constantly stationed
there for the purpose of receiving Convicts
sea. I have their Lordships commands to
acquaint you, for His Grace's information,
that the Princess Receiving Ship sailed
some time since in order to take her

King Esq.

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Station at Duncannon Port, but by
stress of Weather was obliged to anchor
at Milford, from whence she will
proceed as soon as the Wind will permit.

I am,

Sir,

Your most humble servant

W^m Hauser

Admiral Sir
1. Jan. 1798.

W. T. Barden

L^d.

J. H. Lang

Copy from J. H. Lang
same day

Admiralty Office, 4th January 1798.

Sir,

I am commanded by my Lords
Commissioners of the Admiralty to acquaint you
for the information of the Duke of Portland,
that by a Letter received from Lieutenant
Wills it appears that His Majesty's Receiving
Ship the Princess arrived on the 25th of last
Month in Waterford Harbour.

I am,

Sir

Your most humble servant
Evan Keenan

John King Esq

Admiralty Office, 25th January 1798

Sir,

Having laid before my Lords
Commissioners of the Admiralty your Letter to
me of the 22^d Instant, inclosing by direction of
the Duke of Portland, the Copy of a Letter to
His Grace from the Members of Plymouth,
relative to the number of French Prisoners
confined in the Mill Prison; I have their
Lordships commands to acquaint you, for His
Graces information, that by the last Return
it appears that the representation of the
Mayor is inaccurate, the whole number
of Prisoners on Shore at that place,
amounting by the last Returns to no more
than 3739, but that under the present
circumstances, their Lordships cannot
make any arrangement for the removal of
any part of them from thence, the other
Prisons

John King Esqr.

Prisons being equally full.

I am,

Sir,

Your most humble servant

Evan Keenan

Admiralty Office, 2^d Febr. 4, 1798.

Sir,

I am commanded by my Lords
Commissioners of the Admiralty to send you
herewith, for the information of the Duke
of Portland, an Extract of a Letter, dated
the 24th Instant, which I have received from
Vice Admiral Kingsmill, Commander in Chief
of His Majesty's Ships at Cork, together with
a Copy of the Letter therein referred to, from
Captain Ruddach of His Majesty's Sloop
Kangaroo. I am,

Sir,

Your most humble servant
Evan Neave

Chas. Greville Esq.

Belfast Dock, 13th Jan. 1798

Sir

I have the honor to inform you, that according to your orders, after scouring the Coast from Hoath to Capeland, I went on shore at Douglas in the Schoof Mar, and learnt for a certainty that the Sloop described in Lieut. Fleming's Letter by you was a Smuggler, and not laden with Arms as represented, she had been spoke with by a Revenue Cutter, but they were not of force sufficient to attack her, boats from the Town Pile bought Tobacco, from the Men, the Captain would not sell his Cargo, as it was intended for the Coast of Scotland, she was chased out of the North Channel by the Prince of Wales Revenue Ship, which got near enough her to oblige her to throw most of her Guns overboard

overboard, and part of her cargo
some of which was afterwards picked
up, and was liquor - I was forced
in here by the late gale of wind at
S. S. E. which was very heavy, Capt.
Byng of the Galatia being about to
sail for Lough Swilly, I shall to-
morrow sail for Dublin Bay, and
after waiting on the Lord Aung^{ts}
return along shore to the Northward,
keeping the sea when the weather
will admit, by that means the
Coast will be completely guarded.
Captain Byng takes some of the
Revenue Cutters with him - I shall
not fail to give you the earliest
information of any Intelligence
I may receive - And am Sir. &c.

Alas. Ruadach

Rob^t. Kingmill Esq^r

— — — — — &c.

Admiralty Office 11 Feb'y 1798.

Mr. Kepear presents his Compliments to Mr. King is directed to acquaint him for the information of the Duke of Portland, that His Majesty has ordered the Judge of the Admiralty Court to make his Report to His Majesty next Wednesday of the Prisoner committed as the last Admiralty Prisoner, and begs Mr. King will be pleased to receive His Grace's commands respecting the Notice for the attendance of such of His Majesty's Ministers as are usually present on such occasions.

been appointed for the said Transport, accordingly. I am,

Sir

Your most Obedient Servant
 Evan Kepear

John King Esqr

Admly Office ³ 22 Feb 1790.

Mr. Adams.

Admiralty Office, 12th February 1798

Sir,

The Duke of Portland having
by his Letter of the 10th Instant, signified
to my Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty
His Majesty's Pleasure, that a Convoy may
be appointed for the Kitty Transport
laden with Provisions for Newfoundland,
from Plymouth so far to the Westward
as to ensure her safe passage to her
destination; I have their Lordships
commands to acquaint you, for His
Grace's information, that a Convoy has
been appointed for the said Transport,
accordingly. I am,

Sir

Your most humble Servant

Edmund Keenan

John King Esq^r

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12. Dec. 1798

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(Copy sent to the
Transport Board
& to the Treasury.)

Admiralty Office 13. February 1790.

Feb'y 19-

I submit to your Grace whether the best mode of carrying the service suggested by the Lords of the Admiralty will not be by the means of the Collectors of the Customs at the different Ports. If this meets your Grace's Ideas, I will further propose that the Commissioners of the Navy should examine the plan of the allocation to be made & the sum the allowance

which may be made by the Collectors to the owners of these vessels whose ports are fitted up as proposed, upon inspection thereof by the Collectors of the Customs for some Inspector appointed as the ports if thought necessary—

The mode proposed appears the only one likely to be of service in the measure proposed. But I should like to know more of the dedication of the Admiralty before any further step should be taken

My Lord, Your Grace's

Most humble servant,

Spencer

His Grace

My Lord

Admiralty Office 19th February 1740.

Sir,

My Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty having been pleased, in consequence of some Irregularity which has appeared in the mode of carrying on the Service for which the Princess Prisons Ship, now at Waterford, was designed, to direct her Commander to put himself under the Command of Vice Admiral Kingsmill, Commander in Chief of His Majestys Ships and Vessels at Cork; I have it in command from their Lordships to acquaint you therewith, for the Information of the Duke of Portland, in order that the same may be made known to the Government of Ireland and that it may be explained to Major General Sawcett, or the Officer employed on that part of the Coast, that whenever any Troops should be necessary to be embarked on board the said Ship for the Security of the Prisoners which the Lieutenant has been directed to receive, it will be necessary that Application should be

made

John King Esq
to ... to

made to the Vice Admiral to give the necessary
Orders for that purpose; the Commander of the
said Ship, though always ready to attend to any
Application which may be made to him for the
advancement of the Public Service, not having it
in his power, consistently with the Custom of the
Naval Service, to comply with any Order which
may be addressed to him, excepting from a
Superior Naval Officer.

I am Sir,

Your most obedient
Humble Servant,
Evan Neave

Letter written to Mr. B. H. H. H.
21st Feb.

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Admiralty Office, 23^d Feby 1798

Sir,

Having laid before my Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty your Letter to me of yesterday's date, inclosing by direction of the Duke of Portland, Copies of a Letter and its Inclosures which had been received from Mr Pelham, containing applications for allowing Ships to proceed to Newfoundland without Convoy; I have their Lordships commands to acquaint you, for His Grace's information, that a Convoy is appointed to sail from Cork on the 1st of March, for Newfoundland. I am,

Sir

Your most humble servant
Evan Neave

Wm Greville Esq^r

Whitehall March 1778.

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To the Lords Commanders
of the Admiralty.

My Lords,

Referring your
Lordships to certain Resolutions
from the Committee of Merchants
trading to Demerary Berbice
and Essequibo, which I under-
stand has been transmitted
to your Lordships as well as to
myself, stating the importance
of Naval Protections being
granted for the Trade to and
from those Settlements; I am
induced to lay before your Lord-
ships the within Letters from
the Governors of Demerary,
Essequibo and Berbice, in answer
to a Letter from me to them,
a copy of which I also inclose,
in order that your Lordships
may

John King Esq^r.

may be fully apprized of the
possible extent of the Trade
which certainly may, and it is
reasonably to be hoped will, be
carried on between this Coun-
-try and those Settlements, and
consequently that your Lordships
may make such arrangements
for its protection, as its relative
importance connected with the
other Exigencies of the Naval
Service, shall appear to require.

Dear

John Lord of the
Admiralty.

Witcham Hall March 29. 8.